COMMANDER
U.S. NAVAL FORCES KOREA
"I had no idea there were so many Navy folks in Korea."
- Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld
LAND OF THE MORNING CALM

Myth vs Fact

MYTH:

- **Korea is an un-developed, 3rd world nation**

Fact:

- **Korea has the 10th largest economy in the world and is a global leader in technology**

Myth vs Fact

MYTH:

- **Seoul is a undeveloped, overcrowded, squalid city.**

Fact:

- **Seoul is on-par with Tokyo, London, and Paris in terms of nightlife and culture. The mass-transit system is world-class, and its cleanliness and safety**

Myth vs Fact

MYTH:

- **The quality of life in Korea is poor and you will seldom leave the base.**

Fact:

- **Seoul has something for everyone: a wide assortment of international cuisine, concerts, museums, galleries, and theater – all easily accessable and**

Myth vs Fact

MYTH:

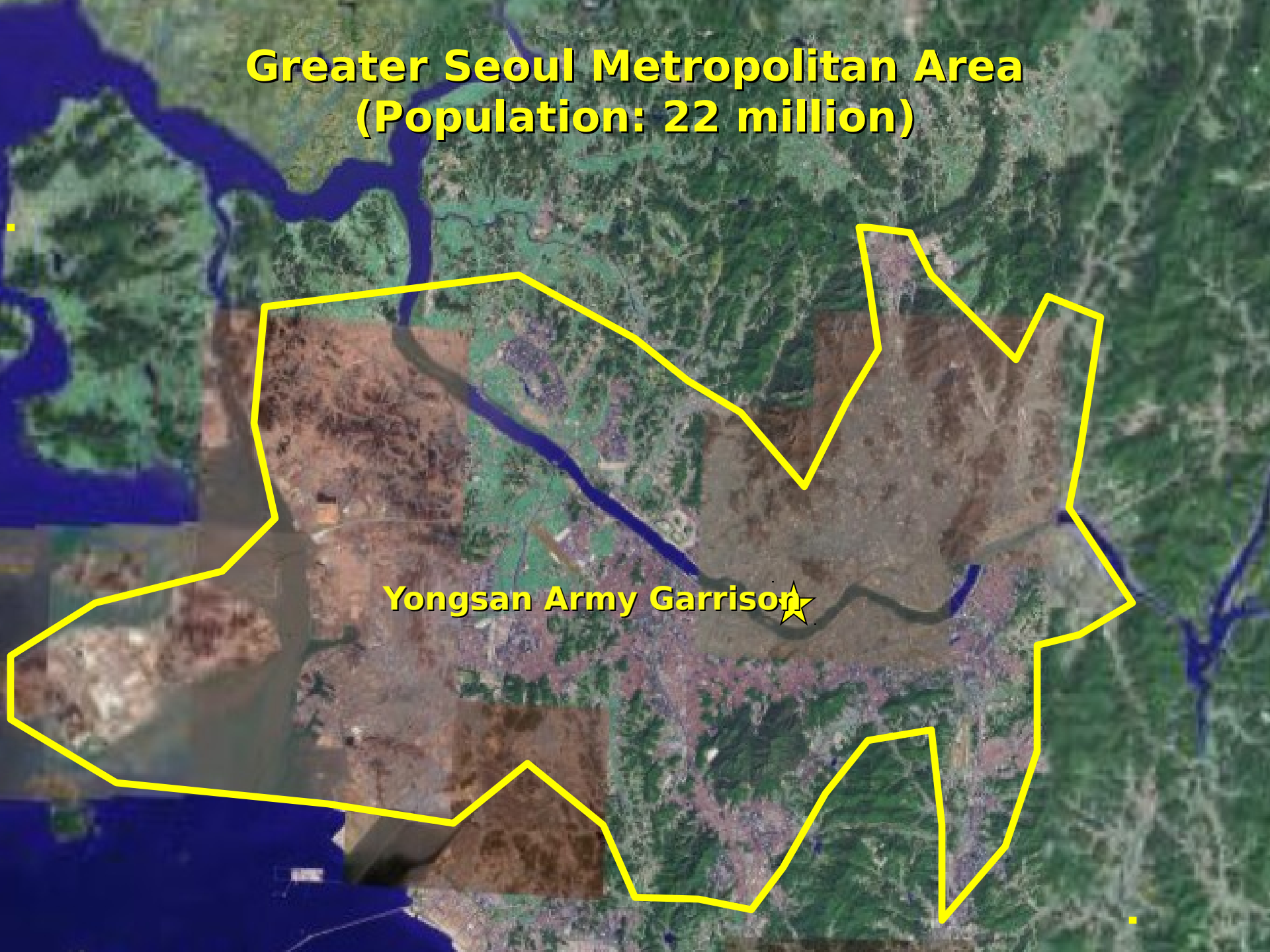
- **Living in Korea is essentially living in a war zone with your rifle by your bedside.**

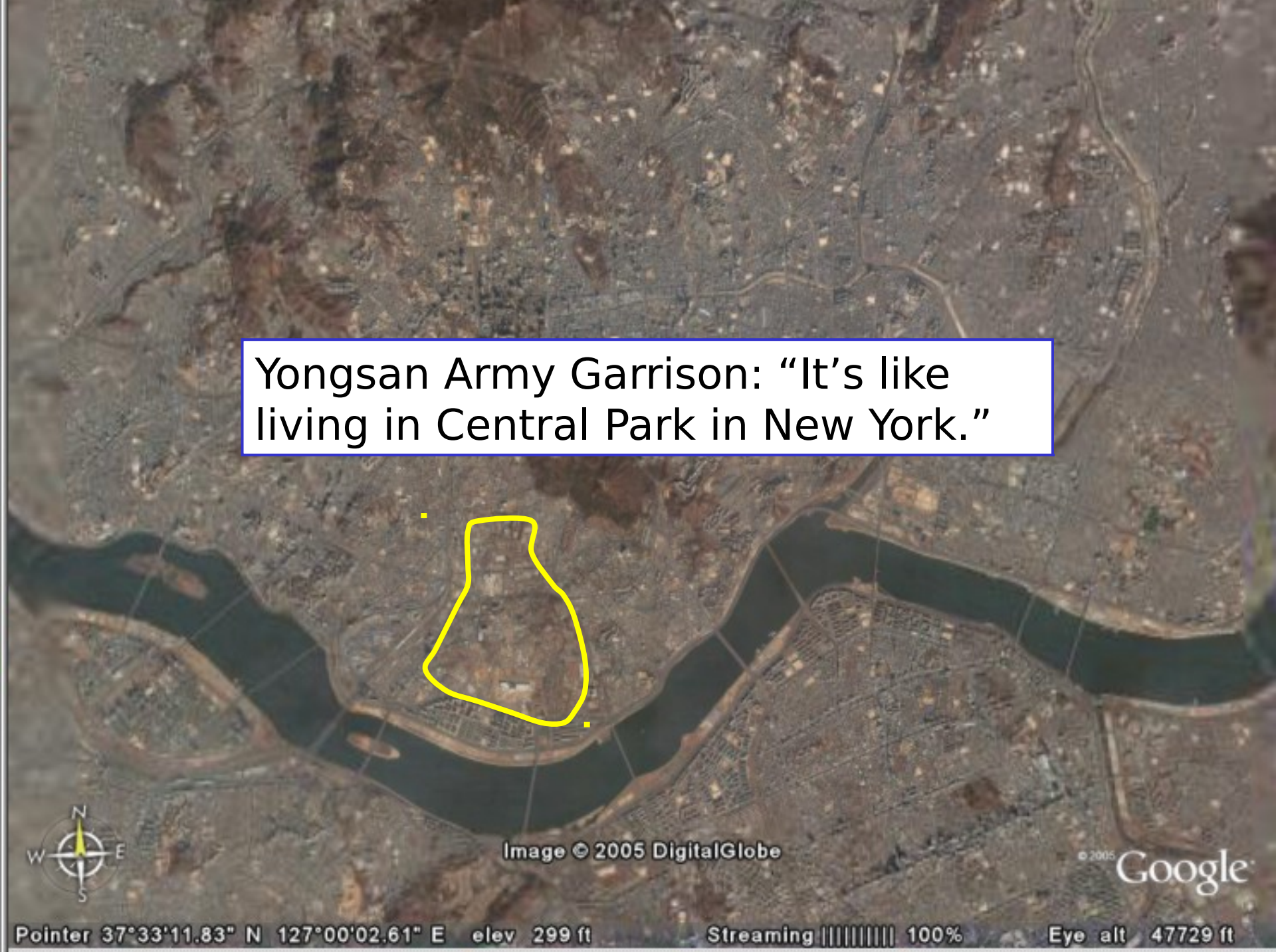
Fact:

- **While the north Korean threat is very real, it does not overshadow life in Seoul. You will quickly establish an enjoyable lifestyle during your**

OUR MISSION

- **Provide U.S. Naval leadership and expertise to Joint, Combined, and Naval commands**
  - **Translation: in an area completely dominated by Army and Air Force, you will stand out as the voice of the Navy and be sought out for advice/questions**
- **Assist USFK, C7F & ROKN with plans, policies, training**
  - **Translation: you will play a key role in shaping how the military plans to deal with one of the worlds most critical political-military hot-spots: north Korea**
- **Liaison in armistice and wartime to United States and Republic of Korea Naval Forces Afloat**
  - **Translation: you'll get to experience the wonderful Korean hospitality, distinctive culture and history, and make lifelong friendships with your Korean counterparts**


Greater Seoul Metropolitan Area
(Population: 22 million)
Yongsan Army Garrison


Yongsan Army Garrison: “It’s like living in Central Park in New York.”
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PERSPECTIVES

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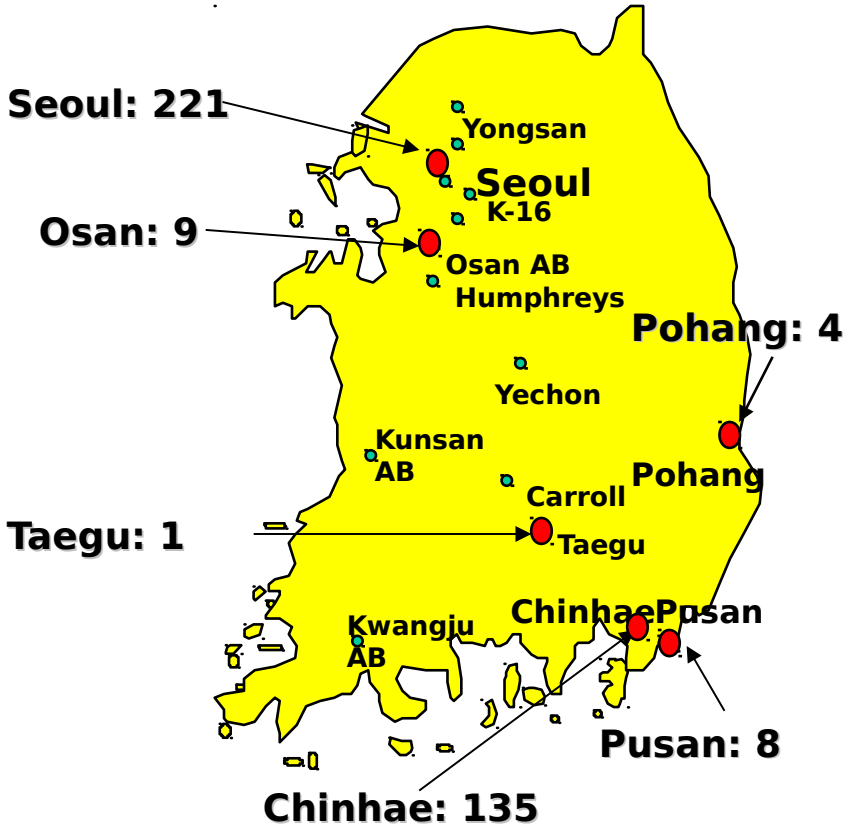
- **New York to Washington DC**
  - **Approximately 190 miles**
  - **3 hour trip**
  - **AMTRAK**
- **Seoul to Busan**
  - **Approximately 200 miles**
  - **2h 40 min trip**
  - **180 mph bullet trai**

WHERE WE ARE



Combined/ Joint Mission on Korean Peninsula:

- **–Combined Forces Command: Seoul (Navy Component Rep)**
- **–US Forces Korea: Seoul (Navy Component Rep)**
- **–Joint US Military Affairs Group: Seoul (Foreign Military Sales)**
- **–Special US Liason Advisor Korea: Seoul (Navy Liason to United Nations Command)**
- **–CNFK: Seoul**
- **–Naval Security Group Det: Seoul (Naval intel)**
- **–Commander, Fleet Activities, Chinhae (shore support for ROK Navy base)**
- **–Military Sealift Command, Pusan**
- **–Combined Naval Intel Center, Chinhae**
- **–Naval Communications Station Det, Chinhae**
- **–US Defense Attache Office: Seoul**
- **–Special Operations Command, Korea: Seoul**

21st CENTURY ROK

- **Modern Transit and Services:**
  - **Phenomenal train / subway / bus systems**
  - **Modern airports are N.E. Asia hubs**
  - **Robust cell phone and high-speed internet networks**
  - **English friendly environment**
- **Housing:**
  - **Extremely modern, luxurious apartments close to base**
  - **Renovated on-base housing, kid-friendly environment**
- **Shopping:**
  - **Industry leading electronics**
  - **Textiles, Pottery, Leather, Furniture**
  - **Tailor-made suits and clothing**

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HUSH PUPPIES
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COFFEE

HOME AWAY FROM HOME

- **Excellent Base Facilities:**
  - **Modern Army Hospital / Excellent Schools / Huge PX & Commissary / Gorgeous on-base 5 star hotel (Dragon Hill Lodge) / Numerous modern Fitness Facilities**
- **Off-post restaurants:**
  - **World-renowned Korean Cuisine is not to be missed!**
  - **Outback Steakhouse/ TGIF/ KFC/ Dunkin' Donuts/ Starbuck's & more**
- **University / college programs:**
  - **Continued opportunity to work towards degree with added benefit of the time and facilities to support ultimate goal!**

DODDS SCHOOLS

- **K-12 schooling exists in Seoul and the Chinhae / Busan area**
  - **Seoul American High School is the largest school in DoDDS (1100 students) and is one of the highest ranking schools in academics**
- **Korean schools had the highest TERA-NOVA national standardized testing instrument scores of all DoDDs Schools worldwide**
- **Robust academic and academic programs exist peninsula-wide**
- **In addition to the traditional American High School experiences, students have the chance to literally step out of class and step in to the rich culture and experiences that only Korea can provide**

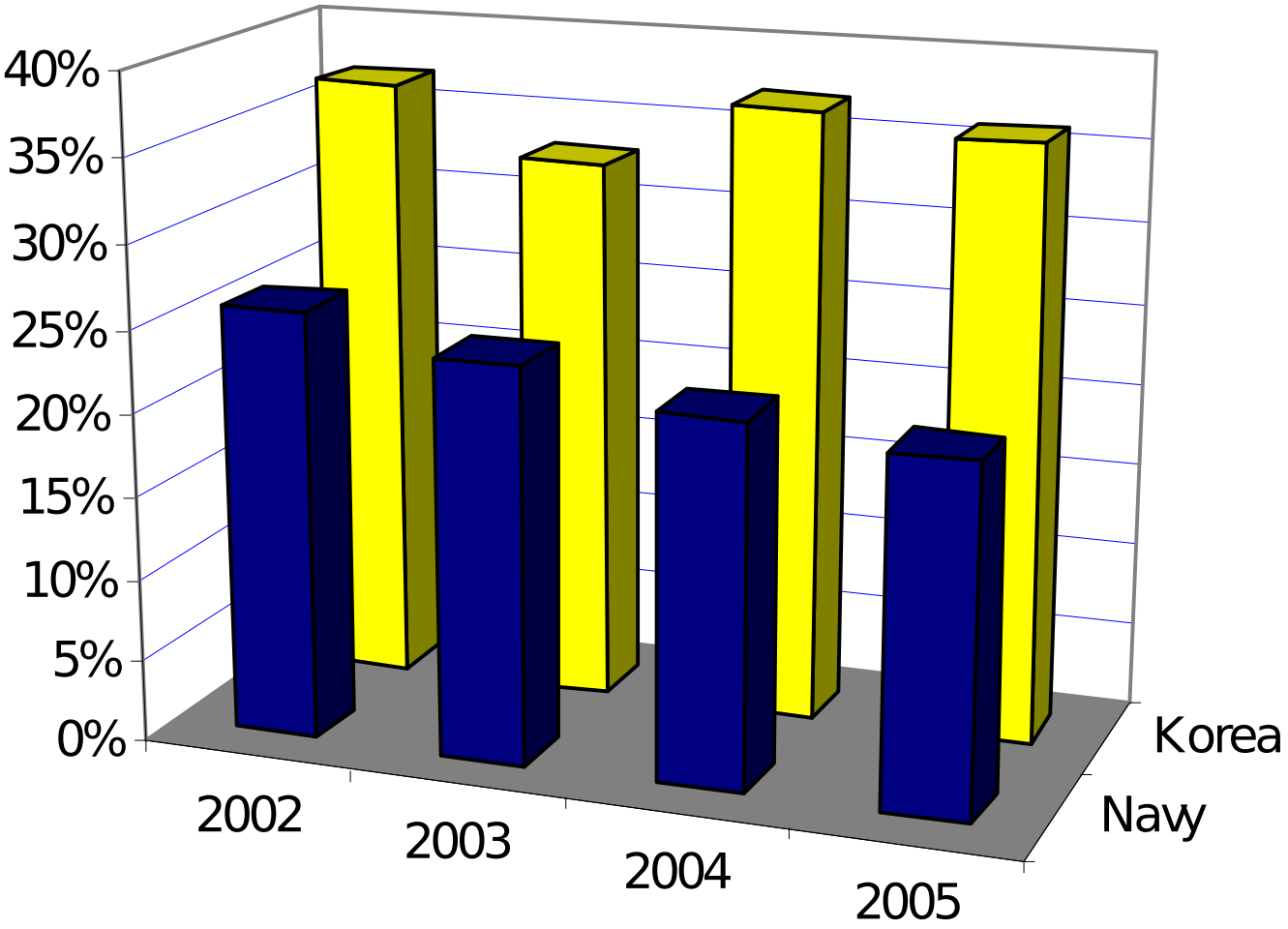
KOREA PAYS!

- **COLA: Equalizes purchasing power!**

SEOUL	CHINHAE
E4 - $306/month 0 Dep/ 3 yr svc/ in barracks	**E4 - $195/month** 0 Dep/ 3 yr svc/ in barracks
E5 - $893/month 2 Dep/ 6 yr svc	**E5 - $580/month** 2 Dep/ 6 yr svc
E7 - $1173/month 3 Dep/ 14 yr svc	**E7 - $762/month** 3 Dep/ 14 yr svc
O3 - $1313/month 2 Dep/ 8 yr svc	**O3 - $856/month** 2 Dep/ 8 yr svc
O5 - $1643/ month 3 Dep/ 14 yr svc	**O5 - $1068/month** 3 Dep/ 14 yr svc

*JUNE 2006 RATES COLA RATES WILL VARY WITH EXCHANG RATE

HISTORICAL PROMOTION RATES



SWO BENEFITS

- **2 CAPT Billets (CNFK) = $20,000 / year**
- **13 CDR Billets = $15,000 / year**
  - **CNFK (Seoul): 3**
  - **Joint US Military Advisory Group - Korea (Seoul): 2**
  - **COMPAC CNCPST/TECH ACT (Seoul): 1**
  - **Commander, Fleet Activities Chinhae: 2**
  - **US Forces Korea (Seoul): 2**
  - **United Nations Command (Seoul): 1**
  - **Joint Command Information Systems Activity (Seoul): 1**
  - **Military Sealift Command (Busan): 1**

Forward Duty – See the World!

- **Other Financial Incentives:**
  - **HDP (“SAVE” on LES) - $50/month**
- **Great liberty:**
  - **Robust Navy MWR:**
    - **Passport to Asia & Pacific:**

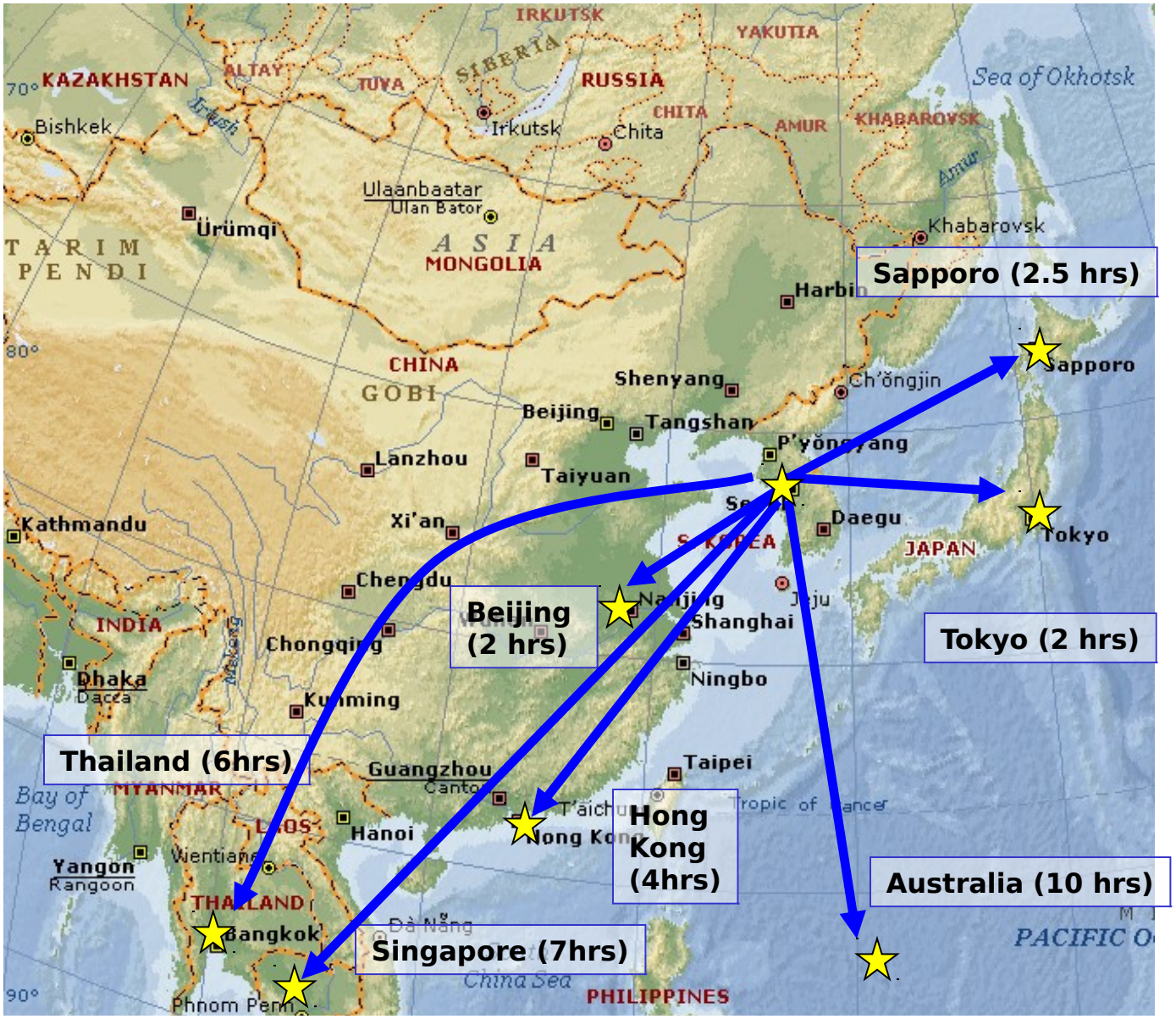
    Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Hong Kong, Australia, China
    - **Professional comedians,**

    rock bands, NFL cheerleaders
  - **Local USO/ MWR:**
    - **Day/overnight excursions to**

    cultural & recreational areas:

    parks, skiing, palaces & more

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES



THE LATEST MWR TRIP: HONG KONG

- 4 days, 3 nights
  - $520 per person
  - Includes:
    - Round trip airfare
    - Luxury hotel
    - Most meals
    - Ground transportation
    - Disneyland Park admission ticket
    - Scheduled tours
    - English speaking tour guide
    - Insurance / airport tax

A comparable tour would cost approximately $900 per person

THE NEXT MWR TRIP: PHUKET, THAILAND

- 4 days, 3 nights
  - $690 per person
  - Includes:
    - Round trip airfare
    - Luxury hotel
    - Breakfast every morning
    - Ground transportation
    - Disneyland Park admission ticket
    - Scheduled tours
    - English speaking tour guide
    - Airport tax

A comparable tour would cost approximately $1200 per person

GOOD HOSTS & NEIGHBORS

- **Sponsors for Hyae Shin-won orphanage for over 30 years.**
  - **Monthly visits and donations**
  - **Annual Christmas Party**

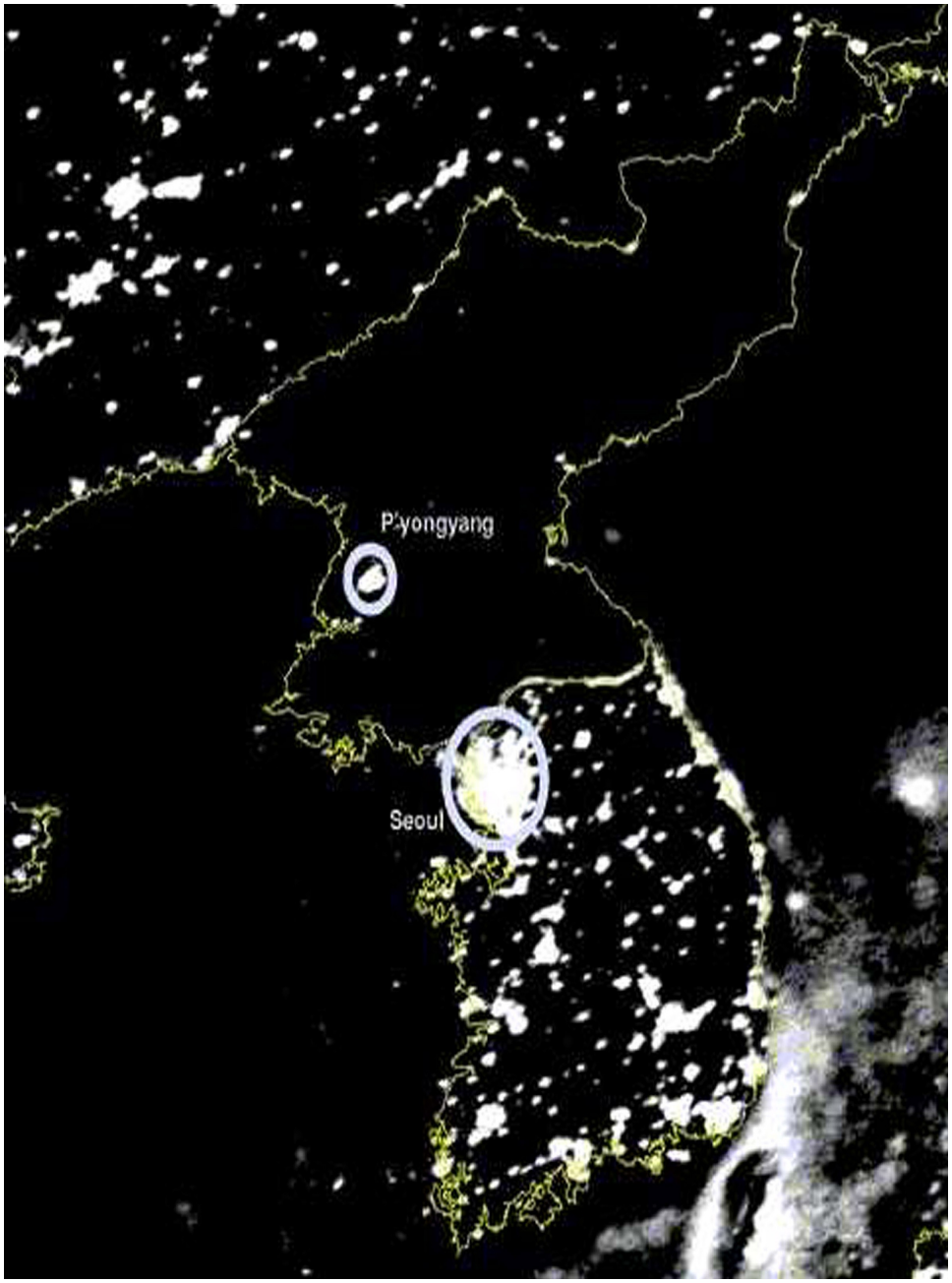
- **Coordinates several community relations projects during ship visits such as rice harvesting and orphanage visits.**

U.S. Navy photo by JOC Al Fontenot

Providing companionship to children is one of the strengths of the Navy's community relations program in Korea.

The Korean Peninsula at night:

Economic Miracle
Vs
“Black Hole”



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- Check out our email website:

  www.cnfk.navy.mil

- Look for us on NKO – put “Korea” into the search box for public communities, and find out more about life in Korea!